ist January A PROGNOSTICATION

It is prognosticated in the Almanack for this year that the spring shall be moist and windy but not very cold, the summer indifferent but with many unkind storms, sudden lightnings and thunder-claps, sicknesses not many but passing dangerous, with hot and fervent agues, great distemperature of men's brains, and immoderate heat, whereby many will run frantick In the autumn there are like to be mighty storms to the great hindrance of those that shall be late in harvest, especially in the north, together with a great pestilence

qtb January A MYSTERIOUS STRANGER

Mr Thomas Jeffreys, an English merchant at Calais, hath written to Lord Burleigh that a certain man is come to him with a private communication for the Council He knoweth not the man but hath seen him divers times with Emanuel Andrada he may do good, as he hath dealings with Count Fuentes and the King of Spain's principal secretary for war, whereby, as he saith, he hath discovered great matters pre-tended by the enemy which must be seen to with speed This man's name is Emanuel Louis Tinoco

5/A *January* PLAYS OF THE WEEK

This past week the Earl of Sussex's men at the Rose played *Richard the Confessor, Buckingham, George a Green, Huon of Bordeaux, William the Conqueror* and *God Speed the Plough*

6th January COURT REVELS

Twelfth Night was celebrated at Court by

dancing which continued till one o'clock after midnight, the Queen being seated m a high throne, and next to her chair the Earl of Essex with whom she often devised in sweet and favourable manner